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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1, 6, 7, 9-11, and 15-17 as follows:

1. (currently amended) A human food serving tray assembly comprising:  
a plastic human food serving tray having a support surface for supporting said  
tray on a work surface, said tray having a generally planar base bottom wall and a perimeter  
sidewall extending up from and above said base bottom wall to form a cavity with said base  
bottom wall, said bottom wall having an upper side and a lower side, said lower side forming  
said support surface for said tray, said base wall upper side having an inner surface, and said  
sidewall having an inner surface; and  
a preformed flexible paper-based liner, said preformed flexible paper-based  
liner configured and arranged to substantially conform to and contact said inner surfaces of  
said upper side of said base bottom wall and said sidewall to form a liquid containing bowl in  
said cavity for holding food and liquid therein.
2. (previously presented) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim 1, wherein said  
sidewall forms a solid perimeter wall.
3. (cancelled)
4. (previously presented) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim 1, wherein said  
liner comprises a preformed flexible paper board liner.
5. (cancelled)
6. (currently amended) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim 1, wherein said  
base bottom wall comprises one chosen from a circular base bottom wall and a rectangular  
base bottom wall.

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7. (currently amended) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim 6, wherein said base bottom wall comprises a rectangular base bottom wall.
8. (previously presented) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim 1, wherein said liner includes indicia.
9. (currently amended) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim [[8]] 1, wherein said lower side of said bottom wall forms a planar support surface or a support surface with one or more bumps, ridges, or perforations indicia are formed therein or thereon.
10. (currently amended) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim [[8]] 1, wherein said sidewall is angled at an obtuse angle relative to said bottom wall to form sloping sides indicia are printed thereon.
11. (currently amended) A human food serving tray assembly comprising:
  - a plastic human food serving tray, said tray having a generally planar base bottom wall and a sidewall extending up from said base bottom wall, said sidewall and said base bottom wall forming a cavity, said base bottom wall having an inner surface and a lower side that forms the lowermost surface of said tray and forms the support surface of said tray, and said sidewall having an inner surface; and
  - a paper-based flexible liner, said flexible liner having a base wall and an upstanding sidewall, said base wall of said liner substantially conforming to and contacting said inner surface of said bottom base wall of said tray, said sidewall of said liner substantially conforming to said sidewall of said tray, said sidewall and said base wall of said liner forming a liquid containing bowl in said cavity for holding food and liquid therein, and said sidewall of said tray having a rolled upper edge, and said liner having a terminal edge that terminates before said rolled upper edge.
12. (previously presented) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim 11, wherein said sidewall of said tray comprises a solid perimeter wall.

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13. (previously presented) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim 11, wherein said liner comprises a preformed flexible liner.

14. (previously presented) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim 11, wherein said liner comprises a paper liner.

15. (currently amended) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim 12, wherein said ~~base~~ bottom wall comprises one chosen from a circular ~~base~~ bottom wall and a rectangular ~~base~~ bottom wall.

16. (currently amended) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim 12, wherein said ~~base~~ bottom wall comprises a rectangular ~~base~~ bottom wall.

17. (currently amended) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim 11, wherein said liner includes indicia associated with food served on said tray.

18. (previously presented) A human food serving tray assembly comprising:  
 a plastic tray, said tray having a wall forming a generally planar base wall for resting on a support surface and forming a perimeter wall extending around and up from said base wall, said perimeter wall and said base wall forming a cavity, said base wall having a generally planar inner surface, and said perimeter wall having an inner surface; and  
 a preformed flexible paper-based liner, said flexible liner having a generally planar central base wall and an upstanding perimeter wall extending from said generally planar central base wall of said liner, said liner conforming to and touching said inner surfaces of said base wall and perimeter wall of said tray and forming a liquid containing bowl in said cavity for holding food and liquid therein.

19. (previously presented) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim 1, wherein said liner comprises a preformed paper flexible liner.

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20. (previously presented) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim 18, wherein said base wall of said tray comprises one chosen from a circular base wall and a rectangular base wall.

21. (previously presented) The food serving tray assembly according to Claim 19, wherein said liner includes indicia.

22-25. (cancelled)

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 4, please amend the paragraph starting at line 15 (paragraph [0032] in the published application) as follows:

Referring to FIGS. 6 and 7, bottom or base wall 16 of tray 12 has a lower side 17, which has a generally planar solid support or bottom surface 17a; though it should be understood that tray 12 may have incorporated into bottom surface ~~16a~~ 17a bumps, ridges, or the like, and, further, may be foraminous (formed with a plurality of perforations). Base wall 16 of tray 12 has an upper side 23, which has a generally planar inner or upper surface 23a.

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